

## 2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Industry Trade Advisory Committee on Consumer Goods

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### 1. Department or Agency

Department of Commerce

### 2. Fiscal Year

2018

### 3. Committee or Subcommittee

Industry Trade Advisory Committee on Consumer Goods

### 3b. GSA Committee No.

21407

### 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

### 5. Current Charter

02/14/2018

### 6. Expected Renewal Date

02/14/2022

### 7. Expected Term Date

### 8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

### 8b. Specific Termination Authority

### 8c. Actual Term Date

### 9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

### 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

### 10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

### 11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

### 12. Specific Establishment Authority

P.L. 93-618

### 13. Effective Date

03/27/1975

### 14. Committee Type

Continuing

### 14c. Presidential?

No

### 15. Description of Committee Other Committee

### 16a. Total Number of Reports

2

### 16b. Report Date

### Report Title

07/31/2018 Letter of Recommendation on China 301 Proposed and Modified Actions

09/27/2018 Statutory Advisory Report on the Trade Agreement with Mexico and

Potentially Canada

### Number of Committee Reports Listed: 2

17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 5 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 5

### Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues: NAFTA 2.0 re-negotiations; trade issues with China and the United Kingdom; GSP renewal, miscellaneous tariff bills; and World Health Organization (WHO) initiatives in CODEX that impact trade.	01/11/2018	01/11/2018
The Committee members met for start of the new four-year charter term and were briefed and provided advice on the following issues: NAFTA 2.0 reenegotiations; trade issues with the United Kingdom and China; unfair trade practices, including Section 232 of Aluminum and Steel.	04/10/2018	04/10/2018
The Committee members met to deliberate on and finalize a pre-decisional draft letter of recommendation on China 301 Proposed Actions. The letter was adopted out of Committee to go forward to the Secretary of Commerce and the United States Trade Representative.	07/31/2018	07/31/2018

The Committee members met to deliberate on and finalize a pre-decisional draft statutory advisory report on the Trade Agreement with Mexico and Potentially Canada. The Report was not finalized and another meeting was scheduled. 09/14/2018 - 09/14/2018

The Committee members met to deliberate on and finalize a pre-decisional 2nd draft statutory advisory report on the Trade Agreement with Mexico and Potentially Canada. The Report was adopted out of Committee and sent forward to the United States Trade Representative with a copy to the Secretary of Commerce 09/24/2018 - 09/24/2018

#### **Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 5**

	<b>Current FY</b>	<b>Next FY</b>
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$47,325.00	\$47,325.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$47,325.00	\$47,325.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.40	0.40

#### **20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The Committee shall perform such functions and duties and prepare such reports, as may be required by Section 135 of the Trade Act, with respect to the industry trade advisory committees. The Committee advises the Secretary and USTR on trade matters referred to in section 135(a)(1) of the Act, and is consulted regarding the matters referred to in section 135(a)(2) of the Act. The Committee provides detailed policy and technical advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary and USTR regarding trade barriers, negotiation of trade agreements under section 2103 of the Bipartisan Trade Promotion Authority Act of 2002, and implementation of existing trade agreements affecting its sector.

#### **20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

Members shall be selected on a clear, standardized basis, in accordance with applicable Department of Commerce guidance, the principal criterion for selection being ability to carry out the objectives of this Committee as set forth in Section 3 of the Charter. Secondary selection criteria are ensuring that the Committee is balanced in terms of points of view, demographics, geography, and company size.

#### **20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year - 2 to 4

## **20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

This Committee is essential to carry out the Secretary and USTR's responsibilities under section 135(c)(2) of the 1974 Trade Act, as delegated by E.O. 11846 of March 27, 1975. There is no other Committee that can perform the duties of this Committee.

## **20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

The Industry Trade Advisory Committees were established by the Trade Act of 1974 and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). Subsection 135(f) of the Trade Act provides that the ITACs shall be exempt from the provisions of the FACA relating to open meetings, public notice, public participation, and public availability of documents when it is determined that the proceedings would, if disclosed, seriously compromise the Government's negotiating objectives or bargaining positions regarding trade policy matters. ITAC meetings routinely involve these kinds of discussions. The United States Trade Representative evaluates each meeting agenda and issues a Notice of Determination when it is necessary to close meetings.

## **21. Remarks**

Subcommittees, or their equivalents, are authorized to be formed under the terms of the Committees' charters, which were issued pursuant to Subsection 135 (f) of the Trade Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-618) as amended, and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463). Because subcommittees, or their equivalents, do not report out independently but through the parent Committee, the costs are included under the parent Committee.

## **Designated Federal Officer**

John A Vanderwolf Industry Economist

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Member Designation</b>
Bedard, Katherine	02/02/2008	02/14/2022	Wine Institute	Representative Member
Campagna, Michael	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	Peerless Industries, Inc.	Representative Member
DeJesus, Pedro	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	Tampico Beverages Inc.	Representative Member
Gorman, Monica	03/13/2014	02/14/2018	New Balance Athletic Shoe, Inc.	Representative Member
Jones, Esq., Paul	03/13/2014	11/28/2017	Harley-Davidson, Inc.	Representative Member
Kirby, Esq., Craig	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Recreation Vehicle Industry Association	Representative Member
Lemos, Jessica	02/28/2018	07/17/2018	The Kraft Heinz Company	Representative Member
LoCascio, Christine	02/28/2018	02/14/2022	Distilled Spirits Council of the United States	Representative Member

Margevicius, Robert	02/28/2018 02/14/2022	Specialized Bicycle Components, Inc.	Representative Member
McDonough, Patrick	02/28/2018 02/14/2022	Legal Advisor, Law Offices of Stewart and Stewart, Representing Libbey, Inc.	Representative Member
Rogness, Ronald	02/28/2018 07/10/2018	Consultant Representing The National Fisheries Institute	Representative Member
Rosema, Penny	02/28/2018 02/14/2022	Cookware Manufacturers Association	Representative Member
St. Maxens, Thomas	02/28/2018 02/14/2022	President, St. Maxens & Company, Representing Mattel, Inc.	Representative Member
Vasilaros, T. Nicole	02/28/2018 02/14/2022	National Marine Manufacturers	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 14**

### **Narrative Description**

The Committee advises the Secretary and the USTR concerning the trade matters of common interest to the ITACs; with respect to the operation of any trade agreement once entered into; and with respect to other matters arising in connection with the development, implementation, and administration of the trade policy of the United States including those matters referred to in Reorganization Plan Number 3 of 1979 and Executive Order 12188, and the priorities for actions thereunder. In addition, the Committee performs such functions and duties as required by section 135 of the Act with respect to the ITACs. The Committee also performs such other advisory functions relevant to trade policy matters as may be requested by the Secretary and the USTR or their designees.

### **What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

### **Outcome Comments**

NA

### **What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

None	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

### **Cost Savings Comments**

NA

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

5

### **Number of Recommendations Comments**

On average 2-3 recommendations are made annually. The total number of recommendations is for the 2014-2018 charter term.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

0%

### **% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

No measureable calculation. Committee members that give advice to U.S. trade negotiators, typically do not receive feedback from negotiators regarding how their advice has been applied or utilized within the various bi-lateral and multi-lateral trade negotiations.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

0%

### **% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

No measurable calculations is possible, as recommendations are mostly given during meetings. Section 135 of the Trade Act of 1974 provides that portions of the advisory committee meetings be exempted from the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of

Sections 10 and 11 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act under the authority delegated by the U.S. Trade Representatives because meetings concern matters the disclosure of which would seriously compromise the development ability of the U.S. Government's trade policy and priorities, negotiating objectives and bargaining positions with respect to the operation of any trade agreement and other matters arising in connection with the development, implementation, and administration of the trade policy of the United States.

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

**Agency Feedback Comments**

Most feedback is rendered orally during meetings; when written advice is sent to the Secretary of Commerce and USTR, or their designees, it is reviewed by Secretary's policy staff and tasked to appropriate ITA unit to prepare draft response. Commerce internal procedures require that all responses for Secretarial signature (and/or joint signature with USTR) go through a concurrence process which ensures that the appropriate level of Commerce officials are seeing the advice and have a chance for comment. All formal responses must be cleared by the Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade prior to Secretary's signature, which ensures that ITAC advice is weighed and considered.

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Action Comments**

Change or re-prioritize negotiating objectives affecting U.S. trade policy and other trade policy related matters.

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

NA

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Access Comments**

N/A